

BOARD OF RECREATION COMMISSIONERS MEETING,
DECEMBER 5TH, 2012

Roll Call:

D. Aponte	Present
R. Correa	Present
J. Donegan	Present
J. Galligan	Present
D. Kostantakis	Present
D. Morrell	Present
P. Musse	Present
J. Rafti	Present
D. Totten	Absent
B. Wicker	Present
Councilman Stylianou	Present

Chairman Correa called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

D. Kostantakis made a motion to accept the November 2012 minutes. D. Morrell seconded motion to accept minutes. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/NAV, Rafti/NAV Alt.#1-Donegan/yes Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)

Chairman Correa announced, “*All requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law have been met for this meeting of the Board of Recreation Commissioners of the Borough of Dumont*”.

- Notices have been transmitted to the newspapers
- Notice is prominently posted in space provided on the bulletin board of the Borough Hall
- Notice has been filed with the Borough Clerk

NO CORRESPONDENCE

OPEN PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

John Sansone representing Dumont Roller Hockey questioning the decision to put the dirt on the roller hockey rink knowing that the season would be starting. The teams are playing in Bergenfield which they thought was a temporary situation. There are no bathrooms in Bergenfield, the teams are very unhappy. Councilman Stylianou said he was not aware that the dirt was going on the rink and was upset. Councilman said there needs to be a permanent home for the rink. John Sansone has volunteered in the program for many years and he feels this was very disrespectful to the program. Councilman Stylianou will call a meeting with roller hockey and John Perkins to discuss the rink. There was a question brought up at September Mayor and Council meeting if this dirt was contaminated and there was no answer given. Councilman Correa made it known

that recreation was never told the dirt was going to be placed on the rink area, it was after the fact when we saw it there. In July Janet Galligan spoke with J. Perkins regarding the dirt on the rink and stating the rink has to be ready for use by our program by November.

Tony Como, Sr. Baseball not raising registration fee for 2013 signups are January. Registrations may be down this year, less boys coming out of Little League this year. Great season this year with a win in the Paramus tournament. Fall ball was very successful also.

Joe Reisner, Dumont Roller Hockey brought up the fact that if there was a question if the soil was contaminated why was it put in a children's play area. Working with Bergenfield is more difficult. One player will not play this year as he doesn't want to wear the black/red of Bergenfield jersey. Very disappointed that the program was let down this year by the town they live in. Bergenfield's rink is a PAL rink. Program wants to know what the plans are for next year.

J. Rafti made motion to close open public portion of meeting. D. Morrell seconded motion Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/yes, Rafti/yes Alt.#1-Donagan/yes Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)

COUNCIL LIAISON REPORT

Congratulations to the Dumont Jr. Football Senior team for a winning season.

Will schedule a meeting with John Perkins and commission. The feeling of the commission is they are left out of decisions being made to parks and fields.

The annual Holiday Luncheon will be held on Thursday, December 20th, at the Senior Center from 12:00pm to 2:00pm. This invitation should also be extended to all the volunteers who serve on our various Commissions/Boards, Fire Department and Ambulance Squad, as well as the school crossing guards

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Thank Janet Galligan and Bill Wicker for all their help every Monday evening.

Working on the new budget.

Dawn has been coming into the office. Please contact her through her cell or emails at any time.

Thank you for writing down your reports.

COORDINATOR'S REPORT:

All bills that have been submitted have been paid. All monies allotted from 2012 monies allotted from borough have been expended.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- Requisitions put in for wrestling match January 26th at DHS 9am to noon
- requisition put in for competition cheerleading competition at DHS February 23rd 7am-5pm
- Certificates of insurance for basketball cheering practices at church and roller hockey requested and were given to programs.
- Signups coming up in January for sr. baseball and girl's softball.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

D. APONTE:

Basketball Cheerleading: There are 25 girls registered. There is no president for the program. There are two coaches for one team. Liaison will be coaching the other team. The North Reform Church is not calling back regarding the practice space. We have the Certificate of Insurance prepared already. Will need schedules for games. There will be two teams. Order put in for skirt and polo shirt.

Competition Cheerleading: The program is hosting a competition on February 23rd which will be their big fundraiser. The proceeds will be split 60/40 between the recreation and high school. Recreation portion of the competition will take place in the morning.

New Programs: No report

J. DONEGAN:

Soccer: Season is finished. Went to move the goal post at Memorial and they noticed very big tractor ruts in the field.

Town Celebrations: No report

Board of Education: No report

J. GALLIGAN:

Twin Boro Field Food Hut: No report

Memorial Field Food Hut: No report

Football Cheerleading: No report

Girls' Volleyball: No report

D. KOSTINTAKIS:

Girls Basketball: Disappointed in the allotment of gym time. A disparity between time used by the boys and girls. Would like to get another day at Selzer, possibly a Saturday.

Following request was submitted by Doug Kourian:

- *Winter travel needs a check for \$3,300 asap. Submitting invoices and monies asap.*
- *Spring travel will need a gym (Lincoln) through June and will need high school gym as well. Will have a minimum of 3 teams, 1 high school team and 2 rec teams grades to be determined. Will they need new tryouts this season. They will be players who already tried out for the Winter Program.*
- *Summer travel will need a gym or permission to use Selzer School outdoor courts. Minimum of 2 teams. Will they need new tryouts for this season? They will be players who already tried out for Winter Program.*
- *Fall travel needs gym from September through Thanksgiving 2013 (Lincoln School is good). Minimum of two teams. Will we need new tryouts for season? They will be players who already tried out for Winter Program.*

Wrestling: There are 44 participants this year. Mike Vietri said everything is going okay.

Jr. Football: Will need to replenish helmets and shoulder pads because he had to get rid of 20 helmets that were out of date and unable to be rebuilt. The program is asking to still be able to use the DHS turf field for games if field conditions are bad at Twin Boro Field. The high school uses the Sr. football field equipment and program may need to purchase more. December 17th the trailer will be removed from the high school field.

Have been asked by some people why they cannot use the Youth Center for program get together, such as end of season pizza party.

D. MORRELL:

Flag Football:

Certification #2 –

Commission/Council Liaison:

P. MUSSE:

Boys Basketball: There are 205 boys in the recreation program. Getting volunteers to coach is a big problem. Each coach is given new marked basketball that has to be returned at the end of the season. There are 23 teams. Practices started Monday, 12/3. The draft was held on 11/30. There is a good balance of players throughout league. New website on ETeam for notices, schedules, practices and rosters. Not 100% done as yet. Request earlier signup dates for next year, i.e. late August or early September. All travel kids are signed up for rec. Minor issues with gyms. Our requisitions were for start time of 6pm but the Hawks practice until 7pm so Honiss has our start time 7pm. There are no Saturday gym times until 2013.

There needs to be better communication with the schools regarding gym cancellations. They are giving last minute notice to canceling the use of the gym or no notice at all.

Roller Hockey: Season is on the way and it's being played in Bergenfield. Season started this weekend. It is very tough to play in Bergenfield. Program upset regarding the condition of our rink. There is a low hanging wire at rink.

Sr. Baseball: Signups are 1/7, 21, 28, 2/4 from 6-8pm. Tractor is awaiting DPW to fix the wheel.

J. RAFTI:

Men's Softball: No report

Ladies Softball: No report

Coach's Certification/Fingerprinting: Certification coming up in February 2013.

Girls' Softball: Checks are coming in too late from this program.

Men's Soccer: No report

Recreation Garden: Some needs to take over this garden.

Thank you to the commissioners past and present for all of the help and friendship over the years as serving on the Board of Recreation Commission.

OLD BUSINESS:

Meet up at Memorial for the Winter Festival at 6:00. Rain date is Saturday.

NEW BUSINESS:

Next workshop would be 12/17 it will be cancelled as many commissioners are unable to attend.

ADJOURNMENT:

*J. Rafti made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. D. Morrell, 2nd seconded motion. Vote as follows: Aponte/yes, Galligan/yes, Kostantakis/yes, Morrell/yes, Musse/yes, Rafti/yes Alt.#1-Donagan/yes Motion carried. (*NAV-not available at time of vote)*

Respectfully submitted

Dawn Totten

12/12/12